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# PIONEER YOUTH after 15 years

IT is the children of today, who as men and women, citizens of the future, will be faced with the problem of ridding the world of the accumulated injustices that are threatening the very foundation of society. It will be their task to create new social, and cultural values, to save the best that there is in our eivilization.

The organized labor movement was eager to make its contribution in preparing our children for this task. After much thinking, consultation and

planning, Pioneer Youth was born, fifteen years ago.

By no means did we burden the ehildren with adult problems. We were rather guided in our activities, both in our neighborhood clubs and in our camps, by the principles of modern psychology. We sought to create an atmosphere of inquiry free from raeial and religious prejudices. Through play a spirit of equality and tolerance was engendered. In this way childdren learn to cooperate and to assume responsibility both as individuals and as a group.

Many a time we found that the problem is not so much the child as the parent. An important aspect of our activities, therefore, was to bring the parents eloser together and to get them to cooperate in solving their

problems as parents and citizens.

The influence of Pioneer Youth is out of proportion to its numbers. Other organizations have followed our methods and used our materials. We have thus assumed a position of leadership in the progressive children's movement.

This has been made possible by the generous assistance, both financial and moral that we received from trade unions, educators, and other friends who believe that our program is an indispensable part of the general movement for progressive labor education.

Today the need for such activities and services is so great that Pioneer Youth is impelled to expand its program. Requests keep coming in from all parts of the country. Our future usefulness depends on the continued support of our friends. The reward of those who have stood by us all these fifteen years are the hundreds of young men and women whose social consciousness, whose sympathetic understanding and support of the organized labor movement can be traced directly to the influence of Pioneer Youth.

> FANNIA M. COHN for the Board of Directors

There was never a greater need for such an organization as Pioneer Youth functioning in our organized labor movement. We have to create an environment and provide activities for our children that will develop in them initiative, self-reliance, mature judgment and creative imagination based on fact.

We are happy to participate in the 15th Anniversary of Pioneer Youth. We are looking forward to its greater effectiveness.

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GREETINGS from

# UNITED HATTERS, CAP AND MILLINERY WORKERS INTERNATIONAL UNION

"Generously" do we direct the future generation to correct the evils of this world which they have inherited. But we must never forget that ours is the duty to prepare it for this task.

If an enlightened democracy is to prevail and be further extended in our country, the workers' children must be prepared to join in the defense of democracy.

Our responsibility is further enhanced by the branching out of the labor movement into many new fields of activity. There is, therefore, a more urgent need for a children's organization with a social purpose such as Pioneer Youth.

These objectives prompted the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union to be a founder of Pioneer Youth and an active supporter during all these fifteen years of its service to the labor movement.

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PIONEER YOUTH
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THE HANDS OF INTELLIGENT AND WELL-INFORMED WORKERS.

Fannia M. Cohn

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# PHILADELPHIA

# an expanding program

SINCE back in the 1920's Pioneer Youth in Philadelphia has experimented with clubs, a camp, and play centers. For several years the chief activity has been a nursery school conducted at Carl Mackley Houses, the Hosiery Workers Housing Project. It has helped to set a standard for similar schools in other model houses and has done some outstanding work. Our pictures tell the story.

The past winter with the ecoperation of WPA, seven full time and nine part time leaders have opened up three children's centers in Labor's Non Partisan League headquarters.

At the center in the 46th ward you are likely to run into a variety of craft groups and a ping pong tournament in full swing, engineered by a club of twelve to sixteen year old boys. One of the idlers waiting for a turn, fingers a newspaper and remarks. "Say what about Hitler's taking Czechoslovakia like that?" The others cluster about their leader eager to have their say. The United States is a democracy, they assert. Phil, who was South last summer, isn't so sure when he remembers the treatment of Negroes there. Billy, whose father belongs to the Union, says that it's the unions that are largely responsible for preserving our right of free speech.

At the center in Northwestern Labor's Non Partisan League, Negro and



white children are gathered around the piano with a Negro teacher. Violin lessons are going on too. Another group is making bamboo instruments. Some older boys and girls are eataloguing a library of books donated by the community, and representatives of various neighborhood baseball teams are discussing rules for a "tin-eup" baseball league.

In the evening youth groups go to the centers for discussion, dramaties, art and chess.

It is the cooperation of our committee with other labor groups, plus excellent WPA assistance that has made a success of our program.

## PIONEER YOUTH of PHILADELPHIA

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# CAMP

Marion, North Carolina

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Hogan first guided our children up the muddy road. Two of them had spent several weeks at our New York Camp and were determined to have a camp of their own. All winter discussion went on. When a versatile leader appeared, eleven boys and girls were ready to climb on the truck.

The first night or two they slept on the floor at the Hogan's until there was a roof over their heads. Discarded eurve signs from the road formed effective shingles for their building. Boys and girls were divided by a wall. Cooking was over an outdoor fire place and everyone ate under the overhanging roof in front.

That is how Camp Larry began. Our only "professional" building was put up by one of that first group who hopped the truck, grown by 1937 into a



full fledged carpenter of eighteen. It is named for Eva Frank who was one of the founders of the Camp. Most of the cabins are built during the summer, and much of the life of the campers is centered around construction—the swimming pool, the horse shoe pit, an outdoor shower bath.

Larry Hogan was the children's hero up until his death in 1935. The campfires where he sang his chain gang song and told of his latest exploits in organizing won't be forgotten.

The founders of Camp Larry were mainly children of blacklisted mill workers from Marion, N. C. Now children come to us from all over the South—Ten-

nessee, Alabama, Virginia and the Carolinas. Forty is capacity for we are still very primitive.

A mill town girl who grew up in the same sort of environment as our children and who spent the summer as a counsellor has helped us to evaluate what Camp Larry is accomplishing. "I was perfectly amazed at the progressive work being done at Camp Larry and overwhelmed when the full importance of this work dawned upon me. Here we were taking workers' children and giving them a chance that we had never had, to become imbued with the principles of unionism, to develop a psychology that would naturally place them in the labor movement when they become older."

A younger camper writes, "I have been to Camp Larry for the past two summers and I am planing to go this summer. Daddy wouldent want me to miss it if he could possible help it for he thinks its woth so much to me."

And one of our older children comments, "I have learned lots about the union since I have been going there."

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CORSET & BRASSIERE WORKERS' UNION Local 32, I.L.G.W.U. Abraham Snyder, Manager

Happily do we join in the 15th Anniversary of Pioneer Youth. We are eagerly looking forward to still greater achievements by it.

Executive Board,
SKIRTMAKERS' UNION,
Local 23, I.L.G.W.
Louis Reiss, Manager

Our future must be planned to lead our world out of its chaotic condition. There is nothing more important in such a program than activities for our children that will help to develop body and mind, broaden their outlook and deepen their imagination.

Pioneer Youth is doing this for the labor movement.

Executive Board,
KNITGOODS WORKERS' UNION
Local 155, I.L.G.W.U.
LOUIS NELSON, Manager

Responding to the tradition of our I.L.G.W.U. we joyfully join in celebrating the 15th Anniversary of Pioneer Youth.

Today the organized labor movement needs Pioneer Youth more than ever before.

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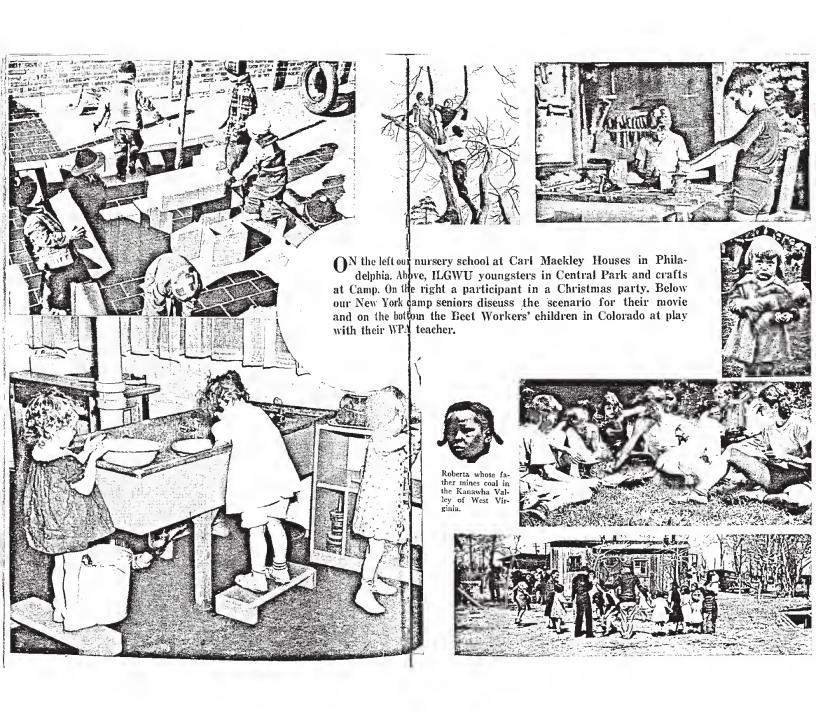
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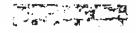
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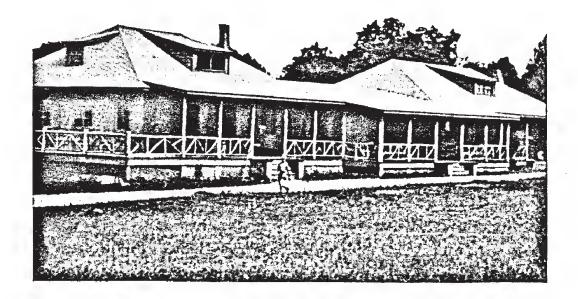
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NOW and again we fall into a statistical mood as we did at eamp one summer at the closing banquet.

"The loaves of bread eaten this summer," we announced, "would make a figure 8 with its top around the ball field, eross at the dam, eirele the lake and meet back of the Everglades. Spinach consumed would fill the swimming pool, and the hot dogs roasted on hikes if eoiled end to end would outfit both ears with balloon tires." The juniors' mouths dropped. Could we possibly have eaten such mountains of food?

With fifteen seasons behind us we are again feeling statistically inelined. Over the years we have registered 2087 children, most of them from homes representing each summer more than 30 unions. Staff members to whom we have given employment total some 446. All together we would make a fair sized town, considerably larger than the nearby brick towns along the Hudson in one of which we organized some children's clubs and where the accompanying photograph shows our campers interviewing a brick worker.

The eamp has had three directors: Joshua Lieberman (1924-1929) author of CREATIVE CAMPING; Alexis Ferm (1930-1932), now director of the Modern School; and Walter Ludwig, director of the eamp since 1933.

Out in front leading the procession of uninterrupted service, is Ida Archibald, cook at the eamp since our infancy in 1924. Even when the hot times

were not confined to the stove Ida has stood by the camp. We salute her lovalty—and French toast!

What has it all meant? Several of the camp's "graduates" will speak for

themselves.

# DID PIONEER YOUTH CAMP MEET YOUR NEEDS AND INTERESTS ADEQUATELY?

"Yes... the only place where I definitely felt I had a place in the community... and we were made to feel as if we were there to build our own community, which gave us a real interest."

"Yes, because no one hindered me in my activities . . . as long as they were legal. The spirit more than made up for lack of equipment."

"The friendly atmosphere helped a great deal in meeting my needs and interests adequately."

"No, not enough scheduled activities."

"The arranging of our own schedule by the boys (and girls) was a great factor in my complete enjoyment of P. Y. camp."

"Socially it did . . . made me social and labor conscious."

"Physically not, because of lack of equipment."

(Statisticians Note: As the years go on, physical equipment of P. Y. is improving.)

"P. Y. very definitely met my interests . . . primarily because proficiency in special activities didn't really matter at P. Y., and because of that I lost a great deal of my self-consciousness and did many nice things."

"Yes... Broadened my outlook, giving an awareness of a far greater variety of activities than I had ever known before coming to P. Y... dramatics, discus-

sions on current events and problems, responsibilities of a communal type . . . proved to be just as fascinating and necessary as a good ball game."

#### What P. Y. Camp Activities Remained Permanent Interests?

Discussions are mentioned most often. Athletics and dramatics are next with swimming, crafts and community jobs coming in third.

What was Unique About P. T. As Compared To Other Camps?

"... the spirit and community life was much more sincere... gave the campers a certain sense of loyalty. Also, no regimentation... no rah-rah camp spirit... a certain calmness which made you feel you were really living in the country."

"P. Y. has a spirit all its own."

"The more intimate and friendly life was unique in P. Y. partly because it was a small camp."

"The making of our own schedule, the freedom we enjoyed."

"Social equality . . . lack of racial discrimination."

"The fact that the project method actually worked."

"The activity program along lines of choice rather than routine."

"The introduction of the trade union movement and its significance... to labor and its problem ... and what is most important, the development of a critical



mindedness of this society that we live in."

"The social-mindedness of its program was unusual . . . entire atmosphere has left a pleasant incmory . . . "

"Greater freedom of expression. More cultural and intellectual activities."

"Social attitude, progressive spirit, freedom of expression, superior type of leaders."

All those who answered the questionnairc state that they give preference to union made goods when buying. (Statistician's note: Anyone who didn't, would not dare answer the questionnaire!) Their most widely read neswpaper is the New York Times; The Nation, New Republic and the New Masses are the most mentioned magazines. All who are eligible to do so, belong to some trade union.

Many of these former campers contribute to liberal and labor funds, especially China, Loyalist Spain, and striking workers.

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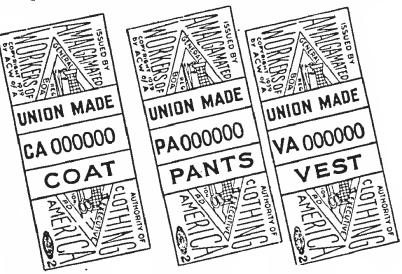
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Greetings from

# MILLINERY WORKERS' UNION

LOCAL NO. 24

ALEX ROSE, Sec'y.-Treas.

We cannot begin to plan our future without including a program for workers' children.

No wonder we are proud of the part played by our I.L.G.W.U. in the formation and development of Pioneer Youth.

Philadelphia Joint Board WAIST & DRESSMAKERS UNION, I.L.G.W.U.

Samuel Otto, Manager

As the oldest local of our I.L.G.W.U. we have long been in a position to observe that the making of the man begins in the kindergarten, that the formation of the child's character and personality is influenced by play. This, therefore, must be intelligently directed.

Pioneer Youth attempts to accomplish this task. It well deserves our support.

Executive Board
THE UNITED CLOAK & SUIT
OPERATORS' UNON
Local 117, I.L.G.W.U.

Rubin Zuckerman, Chairman Louis Levy, Manager

We have stood by Pioneer Youth since its birth. We have watched the workers' children who were influenced by it.

In appreciation of the great service of Pioneer Youth to the labor movement, we send our best wishes.

Executive Board
CLOAK & SUIT PRESSERS'
UNION, Local 35, I.L.G.W.U.

Joseph Breslaw, Manager M. Cooperman, Chairman

This message will convey cheer and best wishes for continued success to Pioneer Youth that has tried faithfully to perform its function as the children's organization within our organized labor movement.

Executive Board
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Local 40, I.L.G.W.U.

HENRY SCHWARTZ, Manager



# P. Y. REMEMBERS

the children that

# SANTA FORGETS

IT'S not just that we get to feeling such an urge to fuss over dolls along about December. We admit our Christmas parties are fun, but we've lots deeper motives. The toys our friends collect for us

are sent to children on the industrial frontiers where ladies' aids and junior leagues don't penetrate. And they go not merely to individuals, but to unions. We pick the union whose membership is having a particularly hard struggle and the parties are used to bolster morale.

The sharecroppers told us, "We feel that these parties were a splendid thing for our union work. All the people were interested and many of them came out who wouldn't think of coming to a union meeting. The fact that the union was interested in their children makes a basis of understanding which did not exist before."

Back in 1929 it was the children of strikers in Marion, North Carolina, who received our Toys. Next came Danville, Va., then West Virginia coal miners. When the United Mine Workers became strongly established (and times were better) we sent to the share-croppers and last Christmas to the beet workers also. In each case children's play schools or clubs or camps followed the parties. "Gifts makes people happy, but education is far more valuable," write the Colorado beet workers. "These young people will receive the type of education that will help them to

young people will receive the type of education that will help them to become leaders in the trade union movement."

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